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SUBJECT: SECRETARY RICHARDSON TO VISIT BONN

1. THE FMOD POL/ MIL STAFF' S PRELIMINARY PLANNING FOR SECRETARY RICHARDSON' S VISIT IS ALONG THE FOLLOWING LINES. AFTER 1500 HOURS ARRIVAL AT BONN- KOLN AIRPORT, SELECTED PARTY MEMBERS (LESS LADIES FOR WHOM A SEPARATE PROGRAM WILL BE ARRANGED) WILL GO BY HELICOPTER TO FMOD, FOR ARRIVAL ABOUT 1520-1530. ON TENTATIVE BASE, ABOUT ONE HOUR AND HALF WILL BE ALLOTTED FOR PRIVATE TALK AND ABOUT ONE HOUR FOR FORMAL BRIEFING. DEPARTURE BY HELICOPTER PLANNED TO PLITTERSDORF FOR 1800 HOURS ARRIVAL WHERE SECRETARY WILL GO TO RESIDENCE, OTHERS TO AM TULPENFELD HOTEL. BLACK TIE DINNER PLANNED FOR 2000 PROBABLY WILL INCLUDE LADIES, DEPENDING UPON MINISTER' S DECISION LATER THIS WEEK.

2. ITEMS TO BE COVERED IN BRIEFING: (A) GENERAL INTELLIGENCE BRIEFING COVERING FRG VIEW OF ITS GEOGRAPHICAL POSITION, SOVIET THREAT, SOVIET REINFORCEMENT CAPABILITIES AND BALTIC SEA THREAT; (B) POL/ MIL PROBLEMS
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TO INCLUDE FRG VIEWS ON US MILITARY PRESENCE IN EUROPE;
IF NECESSARY, MBFR, SALT (FBS), EUROPGROUP ACTIVITIES,
MILITARY ASPECTS OF CSCE, FRENCH MILITARY COOPERATION;
(C) OPERATIONAL BRIEFING TO INCLUDE WAR TIME OPERATIONS,
FORWARD DEFENSE, FLEXIBLE RESPONSE AND PRESENCE OF
OTHER NATIONAL FORCES IN FRG.

3. PRIVATE MEETING EXPECTED TO COVER MANY OF SAME
TOPICS, BUT IN MORE DETAIL AND WITH SUCH EMPHASIS AS
TWO PRINCIPALS MAY DESIRE. SUBJECT WHICH GERMANS
SUGGEST ARE: MBFR- CSCE WITH ELABORATION, IF POSSIBLE,
OF EXPECTED US MBFR POSITION PAPER; US TROOP PRESENCE
IN GERMANY, INCLUDING PUBLIC OPINION AND TRAINING AREA
PROBLEM; THIS YEAR'S REFORGER EXERCISE; ALLIED CO-
OPERATION PROGRAMS ON WEAPONS DEVELOPMENT, INCLUDING
EUROGROUP EFFORTS; BUNDESWEHR REORGANIZATION; FRG
DEFENSE BUDGET; OFFSET. WE UNDERSTAND THAT MINISTER
LEBER WOULD BE ESPECIALLY INTERESTED IN ANY ELABOR-
ATION POSSIBLE OF THE KISSINGER AP SPEECH. IT WOULD
BE USEFUL IF SECRETARY RICHARDSON COULD BRIEFLY TOUCH
ON US EXPERIENCE ON THE VOLUNTEER ARMY PLAN, AND US
THINKING ABOUT FUTURE WEAPONS SYSTEMS DEVELOPMENT
SUCH AS F-15, B-1, TRIDENT, ETC. GERMAN SIDE WOULD
PREFER TO LIMIT SECRETARY'S PARTY AT BRIEFING AND PRI-
VATE TALKS TO RELATIVELY SMALL GROUP. WE WOULD APPRE-
CIATE SOME INDICATION OF DOD PLANNING THIS REGARD.

4. WE HAVE INFORMED MOD THAT SECRETARY EXPECTED TO
REFER TO ACW, LOGISTICS (CCLS) AND THE CO- LOCATED BASE
PROBLEM. FMOD PROTOCOL SECTION LOOKING INTO PROSPECTS
FOR BOAT TRIP OR OTHER SUITABLE ACTIVITY FOR LADIES.
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